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DOCKERS' STRIKE MEDIATION.

SPECIAL INQUIRY COURT.

LABOUR MINISTER'S EFFORTS.

GETTING THE PARTIES TOGETHER.

SAFEGUARDING VITAL NATIONAL SUPPLIES.

(Reuters' General Service.)

LONDON, February 18.
In the House of Commons, the Minister of Labour, Mr. Shaw, announced that it had been decided to appoint a court of enquiry under the Industrial Courts Act to enquire into the causes and circumstances of the dock strike. The chairman would be Mr. Holman Gregory, K.C.

Meanwhile he would try to get the parties to meet again with a view to coming to an agreed settlement.

Mr. Ramsay Macdonald said the Government would not fail to take the necessary steps to secure the transport of necessary food supplies. It had already established the nucleus of an organisation.

Mr. Macdonald added, amid general cheers, an expression of hope that nothing would be said in the House of Commons to make difficult the only thing that really mattered—namely, a settlement of the dispute.

PROFITEERS WARNED.

LONDON, February 18.
A sharp warning to food profiteers is contained in a Cabinet communiqué which declares that there is no reason for increases as high as 50 per cent in meat and other prices, of which the Government has received information from various quarters.

The Cabinet intimates that it has requested the law officers to draft emergency measures to prevent the exploitation of consumers during the present strike.

CONFLICTING STATEMENTS.

LONDON, February 18.
The employers assert that work is in full swing in some London docks with ample men, and fairly generally at others.

[Earlier cables reported Mr. Bevin had stated that the dockers at all the provincial ports are out solidly, and practically all the dockers at London had struck, despite instructions from other unions.]

DAVIS CUP TENNIS.

SYDNEY, February 18.
The Tennis Council has approved the Davis Cup team cabled yesterday, with Patterson as captain.

[Yesterday's cable stated that the selectors had recommended that Patterson, O'Hara Wood, Schlesinger, and Kalms should represent Australia for the Davis Cup.]

NEW YORK, February 18.
South Africa has challenged for the Davis Cup.

ONE DICTATOR LESS.

BERLIN, February 18.
Dr. von Kahr's resignation is attributed to disagreement with the Bavarian Ministry and his connection with the impending trial of General Ludendorff and Adolf von Hitler, also with certain British representations with regard to the Palatinate.

[An earlier cable stated that the Bavarian dictator, Dr. von Kahr, had resigned. General von Loewen, commander of the Bavarian Reichswehr, has also resigned.]

"ECONOMIC ESPIONAGE."

SOVIET'S HEAVY HAND.

RIGA, February 18.
A message from Moscow states that a Soviet tribunal has sentenced to death Professor Clair, of Ekaterinburg University, for economic espionage in supplying French capitalists with information concerning the platinum industry in the Urals.

The sentence has since been commuted to ten years' imprisonment and confiscation of the Professor's belongings.

WAR DEBT POLICY.

AMERICA STILL WAITS.

WASHINGTON, February 18.
The Government's war debt policy remains unchanged, after to-day's conference of the debt funding commission, which failed to act on the proposal that debtor governments should again be reminded that the United States is awaiting their funding proposals.

CHILD LABOUR.

BRINGING JAPAN INTO LINE.

The following three agreements adopted at the third International Labour Conference and accepted by the Privy Council of Japan on June 27 last year are to be ratified, says the "Osaka Asahi," after the promulgation of the order for the enforcement of the Factory Law.

1.—Agreement establishing the minimum age of children to be employed in industry.

2.—Agreement fixing the minimum age of minors to be engaged as seafarers.

3.—Agreement respecting the physical examination of children in the marine service.

DENBY RESIGNS.

LATEST OIL LEASE SCANDAL TURN.

PRESIDENT'S HAND FORCED.

ATTORNEY-GENERAL'S POSITION INSECURE.

(Reuters' American Service.)

WASHINGTON, February 18.
President Coolidge has accepted the resignation of Mr. Denby, Secretary of the Navy.

President Coolidge in a letter accepted Mr. Denby's resignation regretfully.

Mr. Denby was not only party to the oil leases which he signed with Mr. Fall, then Secretary of the Interior, but has repeatedly defended his part in the proceedings. He has publicly declared since the controversy arose that he believes the contracts were legal.

It was therefore pointed out to the President that it might appear inconsistent to retain a member of the Administration holding these views, while the Administration was preparing to take action to annul the leases on the ground that they were made without the authority of the law.

Mr. Roosevelt, Assistant Secretary of Navy, after conferring with Mr. Denby, had half an hour's interview with the President at the White House, after which Mr. Roosevelt announced that he would not resign.

STUPIDITY ALLEGED.

The resignation of Mr. Denby followed telephonic communication with President Coolidge in the course of which the situation as regards the naval oil leases scandal was briefly discussed in the light of information conveyed to the President by the Republican leaders of the Senate.

There has been considerable speculation whether Mr. Denby would actually resign despite the Senate's resolution demanding his resignation, in view of the strong support President Coolidge accorded him by saying that the Senate, "playing politics," had overstepped the mark.

[Earlier cables stated that it was stupidity, not venality, that was charged against Mr. Denby.]

DAUGHERTY RESIGNING.

WASHINGTON, February 18.
It is understood that the possible resignation of the Attorney-General, Mr. Daugherty, will be discussed at to-morrow's Cabinet meeting.

CHICAGO, February 18.

Supporters of Mr. McAdoo have unanimously approved his candidature for the Presidency.

Officials of many railway and Labour unions have also passed resolutions that his candidature is unimpaired by the oil developments.

SPECIAL COUNSEL.

WASHINGTON, February 18.
The Senate has confirmed the appointment of Mr. Owen J. Roberts as Government Counsel in the oil leases case.

NAURU ISLAND LABOUR.

LONDON, February 18.
In the House of Commons, replying to Mr. Black, who had suggested that steps be taken to secure henceforth that Chinese contract labour employed in Nauru Island Phosphate mining should only be recruited under a proviso that a certain proportion of womenfolk should accompany the men, Mr. J. H. Thomas, Minister of Colonies, said that the British phosphate commissioner had informed him that many Chinese were offered free accommodation for their wives at the island, but hitherto the social prejudices of the Chinese had prevented more than very few women taking advantage of the offer.

INDIA'S POLITICS.

DELHI, February 18.
The debate in the Assembly ended in the adoption of a resolution in favour of calling a round-table conference to prepare a scheme for a further constitutional advance. The resolution was carried by 76 to 48 votes, amidst Swarajist cheers.

MUST PAY.

LONDON, February 18.
Asked whether the Government was in favour of demanding payment of reparations from Germany, Mr. Ramsay MacDonald replied in the affirmative, amid Opposition cheers.

CONSIGNERS' NOTICES.

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The Register of Shares of the Corporation will be CLOSED from MONDAY, 11th February to SATURDAY, 23rd February, 1924 (both days inclusive) during which period no transfer of shares can be registered.

AND NOTICE is hereby given that an Extraordinary Meeting of the Shareholders of the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation will be held on the day and at the place aforesaid immediately upon the termination of the Ordinary Yearly Meeting for the purpose of considering and if thought fit passing the following resolution vis:—

That the Directors of the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation be and they are hereby requested and authorised by and on behalf of the Shareholders of the Corporation to take the steps necessary for the introduction of an Ordinance into the Legislative Council of the Colony of Hongkong and for the enactment of the same by the Governor of Hongkong with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council thereof to effect the amendments necessary to effect the Ordinance under which the Corporation is incorporated and carrying on business so as to allow of the ordinary note issue of the Corporation being increased from \$20,000,000 to \$30,000,000 and to modify the existing requirements as regards the deposit of security in respect of its note issue in the following manner.

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A. G. STEPHEN,
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BIRTH.
CLIFTON.—On February 14, 1924, at Shanghai, to Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Clifton, a daughter.

MARRIAGE.

BEAUCHAMP-NICHOLL.—At St. John's Cathedral, on the 18th February, 1924, Richard Ralph, son of the late Sir Sidney Beauchamp of 8, William Street, London and Lady Beauchamp of Salter's Meadow, Penn, to Sarah Millicent, youngest daughter of the late William and Sarah Dakers Nicholl.

DEATH.

D'ALMEIDA.—On February 14, 1924, at Shanghai, Tony, youngest son of Mr. and Mrs. L. M. d'Almeida, at the age of one year and four months.

TORKILDSEN.—On February 14, 1924, at Shanghai, Gerhard Sofus Torkildsen, Norwegian Chief Officer, aged 47 years.

The China Mail.

HONGKONG TUESDAY, FEB. 19, 1924.

CONVOYS.

Were we not given to levity—or only inclined to make use of it when the spirit moves us—we should be inclined to doubt that a certain gentleman with a consignment of rejuvenation glands did so, in a large measure can the

successful attempts at piracy be traced to the same source. We can imagine the John Silver of Kwangtung being thrown on the horns of a dilemma at this move of the Government, and looking around for fresh seas to scour and ships to scuttle. It may be that the depredations may be confined to the mainland and "My Government" have but another thorn in its flesh to extract. The system of convoys means an outlay of a kind never previously contemplated. Is the Colony to be saddled with the extra expense of the work of our Navy in this particular respect, or are taxpayers at home to have their heavy load of taxation added to? It is an important matter and one that brings into sharp relief the important question of an early peace in China. The system is weak in that it provides for safety on two courses, leaving out those others on which ships come and go. But who is there to advocate convoys on every trade route? We certainly do not. Rather than that we would almost reconcile ourselves to a blowing up of the countryside as advocated in these columns by an irate correspondent some time ago.

added to. Mr. Chatham went, to be succeeded by Mr. Perkins, who seemingly carried on the old traditions. He has gone to be succeeded by Mr. Creasey from Colombo. We imagine it impossible for a new Director of Public Works to initiate a new regime in such a department as the P.W.D. Doubtless he grasps the reins and guides the chariot with perhaps a keener sense of enthusiasm. Mr. Irving is about to depart, having likened himself with regard to one part of the organisation he has controlled as a "mascot on the bonnet"—a not particularly happy simile. His successor will come to a department in a most interesting stage, a stage demanding constant care and attention. Lastly there is Commander Beckwith whose tenure of the Harbour Mastership has been characterised with a breezy vigour. The names we have mentioned represent diversity of gifts—but we are sure gifts dominated by the same spirit—the efficiency of their departments and the welfare of the Colony as a whole. They have reflected the true incorruptible spirit of the British Civil Service. If there is virtue in doing well for probably work well paid, they deserve all the good things that recently have been said of them. We may add our quota to that which has already been expressed. But ours is not for what they did—they got paid for that—but for the manner in which they did it.

The Labour Government will doubtless attempt many administrative economies and apply a keen axe to certain government departments. One will doubtless be the Ministry of Pensions whose staff is now 23,552 an increase of 633 on a year ago. This seems remarkable and more so when it is realised that the Government paid 400,000 less pensions last year.

The ways in which application forms for insurance are filled up are often more amusing than enlightening, as the *British Medical Journal* shows in the following selection of examples:

"Mother died in infancy."
"Father went to bed feeling well, and the next morning woke up dead."

"Grandfather died suddenly at the age of 103. Up to this time he had fair to reach a ripe old age."

"Applicant does not know anything about maternal posterity, except that they died at an advanced age."

"Applicant does not know cause of mother's death, but states that she fully recovered from her last illness."

"Applicant has never been fatally sick."

"Applicant's brother, who was an infant, died when he was a mere child."

"Grandfather died from gun-shot wound, caused by an arrow shot by an Indian."

"Applicant's fraternal parents died when he was a child."

"Mother's last illness was caused from chronic rheumatism, but she was cured before death."

What is the latest of FASHIONS. We imagine

DEMOCRACY. There is no more democratic family than the Royal House and that H. M. The King holds democratic views regarding the upbringing of his family. Here for instance is Acting Sub-Lieutenant Prince George who has recently reached his twenty-first birthday and who is popularly known by his shipmates—for he is training for a naval career—as "P. G." He is the fourth son of the King and Queen and it has been at the King's special desire that the Prince should be accorded no special privileges of any kind, but should always be treated exactly as the rest of his companions. Hence at Osborne, at Dartmouth, on his six month's training course in Temeraire, and then as midshipman on the Iron Duke and on his various instructional courses, he has been required to work as hard as his fellows, and has not been shown any favours whatever. This is a good example of practical and sensible democracy.

Signor Mussolini has said it and we are inclined to believe it. "Do not imagine," he is quoted as saying, "that the people like to see the men at the head of affairs shabbily dressed. On the contrary, they love to see their leaders clothed in scarlet and making a show!"

SAVINGS. Bank reports that its depositors have over £20,000,000 standing to their credit. The deposits for last year totalled £7,000,000. This seems remarkable in view of the trade depression, and a typical example of Scottish thrift. There are not many opportunities in Hongkong for the accumulating of savings in the old-fashioned manner. So far as we know our premier bank is the only one that has a savings department for Europeans as well as Chinese, but we do not know to what extent it is patronised, what is the number of its depositors and the total extent of their savings. Parents might do worse than open an account for their youngsters and early on impress them with the value of thrift. A popular feature at one time in certain schools at home was the Monday morning penny bank. Scholars brought their pennies and these were entered in a small pass book the proud possession of the young depositor.

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February 19.—Lammert Bros., at Sales Rooms, telescopes, field glasses, binoculars, etc., 2.30 p.m.

COMPANY MEETINGS.

February 23.—Annual meeting of the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation at City Hall, 11.30 p.m.

February 25.—Thirty-seventh

meeting of the Hongkong and

Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co.

Ltd., at Messrs. Jardine's Offices, 11 a.m.

February 28.—Annual Meeting

of the H.K. Rope Manufacturing

Company, at St. George's Bldg.,

Chater Road, 11 a.m.

March 3.—Thirty-fifth meeting of the H.K. Electric Co., at St. George's Bldg., Chater Rd., 11 a.m.

March 4.—Thirty-fifth ordinary

annual meeting of shareholders of

the Green Island Cement Co. Ltd., at St. George's Bldg., Chater Rd., 11 a.m.

March 6.—Nineteenth Annual

Meeting of shareholders of the

Union Waterboat Co., Ltd. in the

offices of Messrs. Dodwell & Co., Ltd., 11 a.m.

LECTURE.

February 19.—At St. Andrew's

Church Hall, Kowloon, Dr.

H. Gordon Thompson gives

account of his journey along the

borders of Tibet.

HOCKEY:

The Hongkong Hockey Club v

Army Officers.—The following

will represent the Club on

Wednesday, February 20, at the

U. S. R. C. at 5 p.m. Club colours.

—Mills, C. L. R. Becher, G.

Murray, G. H. Plenty, E. J. R.

Mitchell, the Rev. T. B. Powell,

H. Owen Hughes, F. C. Miller,

W. Woodward, G. R. More, B. D.

Evans (Capt.).

The following will represent

Club Second Team v. Navy

A Team at the Marino ground,

Kowloon, at 5 p.m. Club colours.

—A. Bower, W. D. Edmunds

(Capt.), T. R. Rowell, T. J. Price,

the Rev. N. Evans, L. R. Blacking

D. Syon, F. H. Holdman, H.

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WEATHER CALENDAR

FEBRUARY 19.

1711. This proved a terrible rainy day, which prevented my walk into the city, and I was only able to run and dance with my neighbour Vanhommingh, A. This evening was fair, and I walked a little in the Park, till Prior made me go with him to the Smyrna Coffee-house.—Swift.

MAN AND NATURE'S LAWS.

When an individual is miserable, what does it most of all benefit him to do? To complain of this man or of that, of this thing or of that? To fill the world and the street with lamentation, obtrusion? Not so at all; the reverse of so. All moralists advise him not to complain of any person or of anything, but of himself only. He is to know of a truth that being miserable he has been unwise. Had he faithfully followed 'nature and her laws, nature, ever true to her laws, would have yielded fruit but he has followed other than and increase and felicity to him, nature's laws; and now nature, her patience with him being ended, leaves him desolate; answers with very emphatic significance to him. No. Not by this road, my son; by another road, shall thou attain well-being; this thou perceivest is the road to ill-being; quit this!

Carlyle.

SHADOWS BEFORE.

Coming Events Advertised in The Mail.

ENTERTAINMENT'S.

February 19.—Coronet Theatre; Charles Ray in "The Girl I Loved."

February 19.—Star Theatre; "One Exciting Night."

February 19.—World Theatre; A Special All-Comedy programme.

February 21.—Theatre Royal; The Quaints in "Underground to Anywhere," 9.15 p.m.

SOCIAL.

February 19.—Organ recital in St. John's Cathedral, 5.30 p.m.

February 19.—Royal Air Force Reunion Dinner.

February 29.—At City Hall; Fancy Dress Ball, in aid of the S.P.C.A., 9.30 p

WHAT WILL WIN?

TO-MORROW'S RACE MEETING.

LATEST PREDICTIONS UNCERTAIN.

ADVERSE WEATHER HAMPERS TRAINING.

Unusual conditions—different from anything within recent memory—have rendered it difficult, if not dangerous, to attempt anything in the way of predicting favourites for the various races in the first day's programme, which will be carried out to-morrow.

Of primary importance, the weather has been far from what trainers have desired. In the earliest stages the track was, on the hard side; then at a critical stage, it has rained on and off so that up to yesterday, the outer course had been open only once. To add to the confusion, a number of tracks have either gone off or pulled up lame. A few that crooked some time back are expected to have sufficiently recovered to be saddled to-morrow.

Mud on the lower parts of the outer (or actual racing) track is inches deep while jockeys and riding-boys have, to put it mildly, expressed their disapproval, especially after some of them have had tumbles.

Only very exceptional ponies can put up anything like identical performances on both soft and hard going. Some stables which have been able to retain the services of various jockeys, have not yet decided as to which ponies will be sent out for the individual races, hence the difficulty in drawing up a fabulated list of probables. On the other hand, some of the jockeys have several choices in more than one race and have not quite decided which to take. All will depend on the weather at noon to-morrow.

On one point critics seem to be fairly unanimous—that is the unsuitability of the three big griffins, Dark Mouse, Baronsfield and Gorgeous Dahlia, to the twists and turns of the Hongkong race-course. Baronsfield was reported "off" at one time and has since been seen out galloping but it is generally conceded that the others in his stable are his superiors. Dark Mouse is stated in one quarter to have shown himself most adaptable to the turns but he has not upheld the reputation he came with. Stories galore are associated with Sir Paul's strapping grey, these ranging from a strained shoulder to being quite fit. Little has been seen of him by early birds who line the rails, it being said that he must be galloping at two in the morning.

Jockeys Arrive.

At four o'clock yesterday afternoon, four more jockeys arrived from Shanghai, these being Messrs. Hill, Moller, Knoll and Bauld. Mr. Hill will ride principally for Messrs. Morris and Marshall and Mr. Moller will carry Sir Paul's colours together with Messrs. Burkhill and Vida who are already here. Mr. Knoll has come for Mr. Henry Humphreys and Mr. Bauld will steer the mounts of a number of "small owners." Mr. Brand, who is just as well-known for his prowess here as in Shanghai, is to don the colours of Messrs. Stephen and Stitt. Nearly all of the local riders who have ridden in last season's gymkhana, will have mounts, amongst these being Mr. Matcham for Mr. Dyer's stable, Mr. Soares for Mr. Carroll, Mr. Charles for Sir Paul's, Mr. Zellensky for Ewo and Mr. Gibson and Mr. Seth.

To-morrow's Races.

Of importance in that it is supposed to give an indication of "what's what" in the Derby, is the Trial Plate, 1½ miles, for griffins. Here it should be mentioned that in previous years, the Trial Plate winner has, on occasions, not been placed in the big event. Two "chiefs" in Tytan and Fijian are recalled in this respect although the latter won the Maiden Stakes of ¾ mile. The Racing Stakes of 1 mile is open to ponies which have never won an official race and griffins and a few Derby probables may be kept for this race as the most suitable jockey may not be available earlier in the day.

"Old" ponies will comprise the majority of the field in the Victoria Stakes of 1 mile, the Foo-chow Cup of 2 miles and the Jockey Club Stakes of 1½ miles. The first and third are considered

BEAUTY POISON.

WOMAN'S SIX YEARS' ILLNESS.

An extraordinary case of a woman who was made ill for six years by the habitual use of a frothy cream is recorded by two German physicians, Dr. A. Alexander and Dr. K. Meissel.

She went from one physician to another complaining of headache, pain in the back, dragging pains in the limbs, sleeplessness,

and general debility. The doctor's diagnosis included rheumatism, neurasthenia, hysteria, and disturbance of the thyroid and other glands.

At last the ailment was suspected and found to contain mercury. In the six years she had rubbed on her face 16 ounces of mercury which had caused chronic poison.

It took nearly 5 months to cover her head after the mercury treatment was stopped.

CENTRAL BRITISH SCHOOL

UNIVERSITY HONOURS MARKS ITS PROGRESS.

MR. IRVING'S FAREWELL.

The Hon. Mr. E. A. Irving, Director of Education attended his last prize distribution in Hongkong this morning. Giving out the awards at the Central British School (Kowloon), he congratulated the school on its excellent progress, stating that he found nothing at all to criticize this year. The school's University successes were an indication of the great improvement in the work mainly due to the hard-working staff and the undoubted zeal of the students. The Central British School, now, continued Mr. Irving, had as strong a staff as any in the Colony. He hoped that in the near future, its success would be marked by the erection of brand new building.

On the platform with the Hon. Mr. Irving were Lady Stubbs, Mr. N. Teesdale Mackintosh, Mr. E. Ralphs, the Reverends Mr. Linday (St. Andrew's), Mr. Copley Mayle (St. John's Cathedral) and Mr. Johnstone (Union Church).

Mr. and Mrs. Nightingale, and Mr. E. Wylie.

Before the distribution of prizes, Mr. G. Nightingale, the Headmaster, presented the annual report which read as follows:

In his report the Headmaster (Mr. G. F. Nightingale) said:—

A brief review of the growth of this school will be interesting. In September, 1919, there were 61 children on the Roll in Classes 1-8 and Kindergarten. In February, 1921, the numbers had increased to 144 and we were in a seriously congested condition, cloak rooms and common rooms being used as class rooms. The removal of the Junior School to Gun Club Hill relieved this congestion and we were left with an attendance of 86 at the Senior School. Again the numbers increased and in 1922 two extra class rooms were built to meet our requirements. One of these new class rooms was required for a Physics laboratory, and at the numbers had again increased it was decided this year to build six new class rooms in the playground.

In November this school became the Central British School.

Attendance Good.

In 1923 the school was open on 198 days. In January there were 91 children on the Roll, in December 116. The average daily attendance in January was 86, in December 107. The attendance on the whole was good in spite of absences due to malaria and dengue fever, and the absence of some children during the wet season. There were very few cases of children being kept from school for trivial reasons. In most cases of slight derangements I received a note from the parents stating that their children were not well and requesting that they might be allowed to go home if they were unable to continue their work at school. This is an excellent state of affairs and shows that most of the parents here realize the value of regular and punctual attendance at school.

Parental Co-operation.

I wish all parents to understand that I am always pleased to meet them at the School to discuss questions relating to their children and to show them the School and the work done. They should realize that, for the efficient working of a school and the success of the pupils, something more than the teaching of the staff, is required—the active co-operation of the parents. If they will trust us implicitly and realize that we give of our best to their children, and if they will refrain from criticizing the School and the staff in the hearing of their children, then the future work of the School will be even better than it is to-day.

University Successes.

13 boys and 10 girls were examined by the Hongkong University and of these 8 boys and 1 girl matriculated. C. Evans and W. Jenner gaining distinctions in English. C. Evans being awarded the Montaigne French Prize. 1 boy and 3 girls passed the Senior Local Examination. M. Whitley, gaining distinction in Drawing. 6 boys and 4 girls passed the Junior Local Examination. A. Hill, gaining distinctions in Arithmetic, English and Drawing. S. Whitley in English and C. MacArthur in Drawing. Thus 78 per cent. of the candidates passed 3 distinctions being gained.

Although it should be included in the report for the year 1922, I must announce that two of the boys who passed the Matriculation Examination in November, W. Jenner and C. Evans are now at the University taking the Engineering course. They were granted scholarships by Sir Paul Chater. One girl, Elsa Bell, was awarded an Education Scholarship at the University. They are the first pupils from the school to enter the Hongkong University.

At the end of the summer term, the school buildings were repainted during the summer holidays and new equipment provided. Alterations were effected in the new class rooms to improve the lighting and ventilation.

Permission to use the Hall for Divine Service was granted to the Committee of the Union Church.

The School was visited on many occasions by the Director of Education, the Inspector of English Schools, Mr. Wylie, and other members of the Board of Education.

A new School Prospectus was issued in November and gives full information concerning the School.

Children's Health "Excellent."

The health of the children was good. The Medical Officer of Health, Dr. Woodman, who inspected the School in February and October, reported very few cases of defective teeth and eyes. The following extract from his October report is interesting:

"The general health of the children is excellent. Four cases of bad teeth and two of Anaemia were found. Generally speaking the whole of the children gained in height but the younger children gained very little in weight and several lost weight which was expected after the summer. The elder children, especially the boys, put on weight and nearly all had grown over one inch in the eight months since the last examination. One boy had grown three inches and gained sixteen pounds. The general appearance of the children is much more healthy after the hot weather than would be expected. In several cases where it was the children's first summer in Hongkong there were slight signs that they had felt the hot weather more than those who had been out longer."

The percentage of children requiring medical attention is smaller here than in the large cities of Great Britain. This is due to the healthy, out-door life of the children of this Colony.

Climatic Effects.

During the year Intelligence Tests were conducted by Professor Forster of Hongkong University and in his report he states that the results show that positive relation exists between a short stay in the Colony and a high Intelligence Quotient. Of the first twelve on the list who are above the average only two have been in the Colony more than 3½ years. On the other hand, of the thirteen pupils at the bottom of the list only two have been less than four years in the Colony. The results seem to show that it is possible that the effect of climate is not great in the first years of a child's stay in the Colony, the child showing results as good as or even better than those that are produced in England. It would seem that it is only towards the fifth year that the mental life shows signs of deterioration, and that the store of energy brought by the pupils into the Colony shows signs of decrease.

Professor Forster suggests that the first effects of the climate are to stimulate, like a drug, the mental growth, and then, after the early excitation, produce that after depression which is also characteristic of some drugs. This may explain the high Intelligence Quotient of the pupils examined who have resided only a short time in the Colony and also the low quotient of those who have remained a longer period in the Tropics.

The Memory Tests also seemed to show that length of stay in the Colony has a similar effect.

Professor Forster's curve for the Fatigue Test in this School showed a similar result, the boys being generally above the girls, evidently because they possess greater energy.

The numbers tested were small and it would be interesting to discover if these deductions are justified after Intelligence Mental and Fatigue Tests have been made in all British Schools in the East.

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on this School. We hope that every year will see boys and girls in ever increasing numbers entering the University from this School.

I appeal to those interested in the education of British children to endow Scholarships as an incentive to the parents to allow their children to remain longer at the School and to take full advantage of the opportunities offered by the local University.

I wish parents to note that the Senior Local certificate is no longer considered the leaving certificate of this School. Most of the pupils who passed the Senior Local Examination in 1922 remained at the School and passed the Matriculation Examination in November, 1923.

Study of English.

Steady progress is being made in the study of English. English, as a school subject, must include the learning of set books, the reading, in school and at home, of various plays, poetry, essays, etc., the teaching of reading aloud, and the encouragement of original composition. The more one can read the better. The real aim of the teaching of English is to help boys and girls to acquire style, accuracy in thinking, and a real love of the subject. More and better books are being read by the senior classes here and the nucleus of a real Library of Standard works has been formed. In 1924 we shall have a number of supplementary Readers in each class.

Annual Examination.

In the Annual School Examination held in November the percentage of marks required for promotion was raised in all classes. The high percentage required will ensure a higher standard of work throughout the School and will reduce the number of those who, as in the past, are content to "just scrape through" the examinations. The pupils will be interested to know that we propose to impose a still higher standard for promotion at the end of the School Year, in November next, and that preparatory to this all who fail to pass the Mid-summer Examination in July next will be demoted to a lower class.

The results of the Annual Examination were satisfactory.

Great improvement was shown in English subjects, especially in Composition and Literature. The results of the examination in Algebra and Geometry, subjects now taken by all boys and girls except those in Classes 6 and 5, show that good work in these subjects may be expected in the future in the upper part of the School.

European and Modern History is now taken in Classes Matriculation, 1 and 2, and English History, Classes 3-6. The results of the examination were satisfactory. Geography also showed good results. The general neatness of all written work was a notable feature of the examination. This was to be expected as this year we adopted Script Writing in Classes 3 to 6. The Nature Study, Elementary Science and Music papers were uniformly good. French showed improvement but is still a weak subject. It would show still greater improvement if parents would encourage their children to appreciate the value—commercially and otherwise—of a knowledge of the French language.

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The Woodwork examination was very satisfactory.

The Cookery Classes did satisfactory work.

In May an Old Pupils' Association was formed with Mr. Ralphs as President and Mr. Wylie as Vice-President.

A school troop of Boy Scouts was formed in November under Scoutmaster Tarrant, and it is hoped to form a troop of Wolf Cubs in the near future. We have also Girl Guides and Brownies attached to the School.

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VICE-CHANCELLOR HONOURED.

ROCKEFELLER FOUNDATION'S GENEROSITY.

NEW VICE-CHANCELLOR INSTALLED.

The fourteenth congregation of the University of Hongkong held yesterday afternoon, was a unique occasion in that there were present all three Vice-Chancellors who have held office—the Rt. Hon. Sir Charles Eliot, G.C.M.G., the University's first Vice-Chancellor, Sir William Brunyate, K.C.M.G., who has just relinquished the Office, and Mr. W. W. Hornell, C.I.E. who has just been appointed.

In recognition of their valuable services both of the former Vice-Chancellors were given the honorary degree of Doctor of Laws, the proceedings being marked by great enthusiasm.

The new Vice-Chancellor, during the course of his inaugural address, made the announcement, which was received with loud applause, that the Rockefeller Foundation had made a further gift of a quarter of a million dollars for the endowment of a University Chair in Surgery and a Chair in Medicine. There was a large gathering present when the procession entered the Great Hall of the University. Included in the procession were the following:

His Excellency The Chancellor, The Mace Bearer.

H. E. Rt. Hon. Sir Charles Eliot, G.C.M.G., Sir William Brunyate, K.C.M.G.

The Vice-Chancellor Designate, The Treasurer.

The Dean, Medical Faculty, The Dean, Engineering Faculty.

The Dean, Arts Faculty, The Registrar.

H. E. Sir John Fowler, His Honour Sir William Rees Davies, Rt. Reverend Bishop of Victoria, Hon. Sir Claud Severa.

Hon. Mr. J. H. Kemp, Hon. Mr. C. McI. Messer.

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Professor H. G. Earle, Professor W. Brown.

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The Late Mr. Chan Kang-yu.

The Chancellor (Sir Edward Stubb, K.C.M.G.), having declared the congregation opened, expressed the deep regret with which the Court and Senate of the University had received the news of the sudden death on Saturday from heart failure of Mr. Chan Kang-yu, who was one of the six original members of the Court of the University. The Chancellor spoke of the good work Mr. Chan Kang-yu had done for the University, and tendered to the family, on behalf of the University, an expression of their sincerest condolences in the great loss they had sustained.

The Registrar (Mr. N. Teesdale Mackintosh) read the resolution of appointment of Mr. William Woodward Hornell, C.I.E., as Vice-Chancellor, and His Excellency invited Mr. Hornell to take his seat as Vice-Chancellor of the University, the undergraduates showing their approval with loud and sustained cheers.

New Vice-Chancellor's Address.

The new Vice-Chancellor was received with cheers on rising to deliver his inaugural address. He said:

Your Excellency, ladies and gentlemen, I am fitting, and wholesome that my first act as Vice-Chancellor of the University of Hongkong should be to present for honorary degrees my two eminent predecessors. (Applause).

It is fitting because the recognition of those who have gone before is one of the great traditions of English Colleges and Schools. Let us praise famous men and our fathers that begat us, "it is wholesome—an act of salutary discipline," because, merely to

rehearse what Sir Charles Eliot and Sir William Brunyate are and have done, is to fill myself with profound humility. Such were they, this am I. There were giants on earth in those days.

Sir Charles Eliot was a scholar of Balliol College, Oxford. He won the Herford, Boden, Ireland, Craven and Derby Scholarships, the University Prize for Syria and a fellowship at Trinity College, Oxford. He served in His Imperial Majesty's Diplomatic Service in Russia, Turkey, Morocco, Bulgaria, Serbia, the United States of America and East Africa. In 1905 he was appointed Vice-Chancellor to the University of Sheffield. In 1912 he came to this University as its first Vice-Chancellor, and here he remained until 1918, when he was called away to be His Majesty's High Commissioner in Siberia. Sir Charles Eliot is not merely a great scholar and a great linguist. He is also eminent in the mysterious field of Marine Biology. His versatility is as astonishing as the range and depth of his knowledge is prodigious. Sir Charles Eliot's mere acceptance of the first Vice-Chancellorship of this University was a guarantee to the world that the Government of Hongkong were in earnest. The eyes of the learned world were turned to the new born University. It is early yet to write the history of the University. When it comes to be written, the debt which the University owes to Sir Charles Eliot will stand out for all to see. That the University of Hongkong recognises this debt is evident from their decision to confer their honorary degree upon him, a decision which was come to in 1919. (Applause).

Sir William's Achievement.

The scene of Sir William Brunyate's brilliant University career was Trinity College, Cambridge. He took a double first in Mathematics and the Smith's Prize. He was President of the Union and subsequently a Fellow of his College. For twenty years he worked in Egypt where he was successively Legal, Judicial and Financial Adviser. During the great war he was twice mentioned in despatches. (Applause). Sir William Brunyate was appointed Vice-Chancellor of this University in 1921 after an interregnum of 3 years. The task before the new Vice-Chancellor was not an easy one. On August 31 1920 the financial position of the University, as stated by the Commission which Government had found it necessary to appoint, was that there was a deficit for the year on working account of \$145,000, an accrued over-draft at the Bank of about \$500,000 and an accrued deficit of \$70,000 on an endowment sinking fund. Government had come to the rescue with generous grants, but the recovery of the University's financial position is possibly the outstanding feature of Sir William Brunyate's tenure of office. (Cheers). We, sojourners in the East, go hence and are soon forgotten. I do not think that Sir William and Lady Brunyate will be easily forgotten in this University. At any rate I, at least, so long as I hold my present office and possibly for a great deal longer, shall bless him daily for the work which he has done in connection with the financial reorganization of the University.

Rockefeller Foundation's Gift.

The University is now full and we have no more hostel accommodation available. In

July 1922 the Rockefeller Foundation gave \$500,000 for the endowment of a University Chair in Surgery and a Chair in Medicine. The Foundation also promised a further gift of \$250,000 for the endowment of a University Chair in Obstetrics, the condition of the gift being that the University should be in a position to guarantee efficiency. I have in my hand a cable which announces the appropriation of \$250,000 for the promised Chair. (Cheers). The University have this very morning been informed by the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation that the Rockefeller Foundation have lodged with them the sum of \$250,000 to be paid to the University when the necessary legal formalities have been completed with (Applause).

The realisation of this princely gift necessitated delicate negotiations not only with the Rockefeller Foundation but with the Government Medical Department. These negotiations were carried through by Sir William Brunyate personally.

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"KHYBER"	5,014	5th Apr.	Marsilles, London & Antwerp
"NUGLORE"	6,465	9th Apr.	B'way, Marsilles, London & Antwerp
"CHINA"	7,051	13th Apr.	Marsilles, London & Antwerp
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"KASHGAR"	8,841	14th June	Marsilles, London & Antwerp
"MOREA"	10,911	21st June	Marsilles, London & Antwerp
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"SICILIA"	6,813	13th Mar.	Shanghai.
"TOMALA"	8,904	12th Mar.	Moji & Kobo.
"KALYAN"	8,118	22nd Mar.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobo.
"SEBIRI"	8,052	22nd Mar.	Moji & Kobo.
"ST. ALBANS"	4,500	4th Apr.	Shanghai, Moji & Kobo.
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(Continued from page 5.)

Many books were added to the library during the year through the generosity of St. George's Society, and many friends of the School who also supplied magazines and illustrated papers. Illustrations and extracts from these were regularly posted on the notice boards. Letters were received from children in other parts of the Empire and answers were sent.

Plenty of Sport.

The Committee of the Kowloon Cricket Club, with their usual generosity and readiness allowed us to play cricket matches on their ground. Inter-House matches and a match with Queen's College were played. In the playground we had cricket nets and matting, and cricket practice took place every day. The Fives Court was used during the cool months, and Basket Ball also was played. Hockey and Football were the favourite games. Tennis was popular, especially among the girls. I hope that the part of the playground reserved for tennis will be returned so that, although our playing area is much reduced, we may be able to arrange cricket, tennis and basket ball practice on the ground.

Two periods a week—altogether 1½ hours—are devoted to Physical Drill, Boxing and Singlestick under Sergeant Marjott.

Swimming was very popular during the summer months, and our thanks are due to the President and Committee of the Kowloon Dock Recreation Club for

allowing us to use their bathing beach three times a week. Our Annual Bathing picnic to Castle Peak took place on Empire Day.

The Harbour Race for Ladies was, for the third year in succession, won by a girl attending the Central British School. The 100 yards (Ladies) Championship of the Colony was won by an old pupil, and the two-lengths Championship (boys under 12 years of age) was won by a boy in Class 6.

Mr. Ray of the Coronet Theatre and the Manager of Pathé Frères both exhibited a series of Educational films in the Hall to the pupils and their parents. The question of the use of films in Education has received very serious attention at Home where already many films on Natural History, Science and Geography have been shown.

We held our Annual Fancy Dress Dance in December.

I wish to express my appreciation of the loyal and enthusiastic support I received from the staff throughout the year. I also thank all those who have donated prizes, and Mr. Irving for so kindly coming here to-day.

Tribute to Mr. Irving.

This will be Mr. Irving's last prize-giving in Hongkong, and it is fitting that his last school function should be the prize-giving at this school. The British children of this Colony owe a debt of gratitude to Mr. Irving who has accomplished before leaving the Colony what I know has for many years been his desire—the founding of a Central Secondary School for British children.

Thanks to Mr. Irving it is now no longer necessary that British children should be sent home to be educated, for the Central British School is quite worthy

KOCHOW ASHORE.
WEST RIVER STEAMER
STRANDED.

West River steamers have brought in a report that the ss. "Kochow," one of the best-known vessels on the Hongkong-Wuchow run, is ashore on the banks of the river near Kaikong. The "Kochow" was on a down trip with cargo and passengers from Wuchow and the river had risen about ten feet with a strong current. It is stated that in trying to keep too close to the banks the "Kochow" was carried slightly out of her course till she grounded.

A sister ship, the "Taiming" was despatched to the scene to tow the "Kochow" off but her efforts were, at the time of the report, of no avail.

Wuchow steamers are now getting a fair amount of freight and the temporary loss of the "Kochow's" services has caused more than a little inconvenience to shippers and traders.

Inquiries were made at the Kwong Wing Co., agents for the "Kochow" by the *China Mail* when it was gathered that the ship is embedded several feet in the river-bank at Bak Ngai, near Samshui, Hoitow. The "Taiming," "Kwong Ying" and "Wo Kwei" all passed hawsers to the vessel and attempted to tow her but in each case the wire-ropes snapped.

All the cargo except a shipment of firewood, has been transhipped for Hongkong by the "Sing On," and the several hundred passengers have returned to Hoitow.

The Kwong Wing Co. states that its information is that the grounding is due to fog.

The Company expects that it will take some time to get the "Kochow" off.

Last week 74 cases of smallpox were reported and there were 20 deaths from the disease. Thirteen fresh cases were notified yesterday.

During the past few days, the Thams has risen rapidly, measurements showing the water more than 30' above the summer level. Bunglow-dwellers on the banks are becoming apprehensive, but for the moment there is no danger of their residences being flooded.

drawbacks due to climate, compares favourably with secondary schools at home.

You will all join with me in wishing Mr. and Mrs. Irving many years of happy retirement.

Prize List.

Government Scholarships.—Class 1, E. A. Blackwell; Class 2, A. Hill; Class 3b, J. Maycock; Class 3g, A. Smyth; Class 4, K. Hammond; Class 5, R. Woolley; Class 6b, A. Mitchell; Class 6g, E. Mead.

Hongkong & Whampoa Dock Company's Scholarships.—W. Jenner and E. Bell.

J. R. M. Smith Scholarship.—D. Lyon and J. Stewart.

Montargis French Prize.—C. Evans.

Wylie Composition Prize.—W. Jenner.

War Memorial Prize.—C. Evans.

The Bishop of Victoria's Prize for Scripture. (Senior Local).—D. Lyon.

Rev. Copley Moyle's Prize for Scripture. (Junior Local).—T. Whitley.

Head Master's Prize for Mathematics (Matriculation).—E. Bell.

Mr. H. C. L. Dowbiggin's Prize for History.—D. Ellis.

Mr. G. G. Wood's Prize for English. (Senior Local).—D. Lyon.

Messrs. Kelly & Walsh's Prize for English. (Junior Local).—A. Hill.

Mr. W. G. Wheller's Prize for Arithmetic. (Junior Local).—A. Hill.

Mrs. Nightingale's Prizes for Writing.—J. Raven and E. Mead.

Mr. H. B. Mould's Prizes for Woodwork.—Class 3, J. Maycock;

Class 4, D. Davidson.

Mr. W. G. Wheller's Prize for Arithmetic. (Junior Local).—A. Hill.

Class Prizes for General Proficiency.—Class 1, C. Evans; Class 2, A. Hill; Class 3b, J. Maycock;

Class 3g, J. Barth; Class 4, K. Hammond; Class 5, R. Woolley;

Class 6b, A. Mitchell; Class 6g, A. MacArthur.

Matriculation.—C. Evans (Distinction in English), W. Jenner (Distinction in English), E. Bell (Distinction in English), E. Blackwell.

Senior Locals.—E. Barth, D. Ellis, D. Lyon, P. Whitley (Distinction in Drawing).

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Cheers were raised for the visitors, the Headmaster and the staff by the enthusiastic students.

OBITUARY.

MR. L. SANDERCOCK.

Peking, January 6.—Many sincere friends throughout China will mourn with deep regret at the sudden death of Mr. L. Sandercock of the Maritime Customs, which occurred in unusually sad circumstances.

Mr. Sandercock, who has recently been stationed at Mukden as Commissioner, went to Shanghai with his wife and children and saw them off at England on a holiday. Mr. Sandercock took the train from Shanghai with the intention of returning to his post at Mukden, but, just before reaching Tsingtau, he suddenly died. It is believed that perplexity was the cause of death. The body was taken off the train at Tsingtau by the orders of Mr. Tours, British Consul-General there.

It is not known whether the telegram announcing Mr. Sandercock's death will reach Mrs. Sandercock at Hongkong. The death occurred on the 14th instant.—*Reuter's Pacific Service*.

MR. H. C. EMERY.

Peking, February 7.—A telegram received in Peking today, conveyed the sad news that Mr. Henry C. Emery, formerly manager of the Am. Banking Corporation in Peking, died of double pneumonia on board ship between Shanghai and Kobe and was buried at sea.

Mr. and Mrs. Emery were in Peking recently and left here to return to their home in New York. Last year Mr. and Mrs. Emery made a long tour through Mongolia. During several years' residence in Peking they made numerous friends in North China to whom this news will come as a severe shock.—*Reuter's Pacific Service*.

MR. JOHN KAVANAGH.

Smallpox claimed another victim in the Shanghai foreign community when Mr. John M. Kavanagh, young accountant of the British Cigarette Company, died after an illness of but a few days.

Mr. Kavanagh, was only 26 years old. He had been a resident of Shanghai only since last November, coming from Manila. He was a native of Australia and is survived by his mother, a brother and a sister in Sydney. He went to Manila three years ago and was for a time connected with the firm of Smith and Co., Ltd. Later he went into business for himself, and came to Shanghai last November, joining the B.A.T.

NEARER TO THEE, O GOD!

(A Dedication.) What in me is dark illumine. What is low, raise and support. That to the height of this great argument I may assert eternal providence And justify the ways of God to men.

—Milton.

The green-clad ways of each grass-blade. Up to man from Your greatness wrought.

Are friends in the vaults of an earth-bed, When extinction and death consort.

But when life seemed a maddening maelstrom. And solitude fell to my lot, Then earth-ways were made a bit sweeter—

I was nearer to Thee, O God!

When I stood on the highways of sorrow And dream-castles went back to the sod, Then I pledged all my faith on that morrow.

When I'll be nearer to Thee, O God!

When I dwelt on the alleys of error And my pains seemed a chastening rod—

Then when death had lost all of its terror, I was nearer to Thee, O God!

I'm in a school of things unreal Where lessons of grief I am taught—

Though waves buffet me, I'll be lead.

And verge nearer to Thee, O God!

When I leave all these streets of illusion.

These by-paths of wrong, souls I have trod.

I shall seek no other delusion—

For I'll be nearer to Thee, O God!

Though my sins exact retribution While my good find here no reward.

It shall earn divine compensation When I'm nearer to Thee, O God!

H. M. Silva.

TO-DAY'S
ADVERTISEMENTS.

R. S. WATSON & CO. LIMITED.

NOTICE.

RACE MEETING.

ON WEDNESDAY, THURSDAY and FRIDAY, the 20th, 21st and 22nd February, all Departments will be CLOSED at 1 P.M.

On these days The Hongkong Dispensary will be opened for the purpose of dispensing prescriptions from 6 to 7.30 P.M.

A. S. WATSON & CO. LIMITED. Hongkong, 19th February, 1924.

UNION WATERBOAT COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE NINETEENTH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING.

Shareholders will be held in the offices of Messrs. Dodwell & Co., Ltd., on THURSDAY the 6th March, 1924, at 11 a.m. for the purpose of receiving the report of the General Managers together with a statement of accounts to 31st December 1923.

The transfer Books of the Company will be closed from the 22nd February to 6th March, 1924, both dates inclusive.

DODWELL & COMPANY, LTD. General Managers. Hongkong, 19th February, 1924.

TO LET.

TO LET.—New and airy Office Rooms on Ground and First Floors, 5, Duddell Street. Can be used as Bank or Commercial Offices. Rent Moderate. Apply: Room 10, First Floor.

A FANCY DRESS BALL will be held on LEAP YEAR NIGHT.

FRIDAY, February 29th, at the CITY HALL at 9.30 p.m.

in aid of The Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals.

Tickets \$4.00 including Refreshments. Fine \$1.00 for new Fancy Dress.

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(Continued from page 6.)

A Word to the Staff.

This leads me to a word which I venture to say in conclusion to the staff. "Education," to quote Mr. Fisher again, "is a very human thing, depending upon the shock of mind upon mind, of character upon character. Expensive buildings, elaborate equipment, brilliantly organised administration, all these things have their value, but the value is secondary. If the teachers are efficient, the education will be good; if they are stupid and low minded, the most elaborate apparatus in the world will not prevent the educational system of the country from being a hollow sham."

I know the difficulties of those who come from Europe to be University teachers in the East. The atmosphere is not here. The University teacher is everywhere a poor man, and a good bank balance means much in the East, where life is precarious and one is far from home. Work is a strain because all the stimulus has to come from within, and really recreative holidays are difficult to arrange. University teaching tends rather to isolate a man from his fellows, and loneliness is difficult to bear in the Club-loving East. All this I know, but you know also the immense possibilities which lie before you. Many eminent British statesmen have worked in Calcutta, but among the Britishers who have shaped the destinies of Bengal two stand out as probably the most prominent—after Warren Hastings, one is David Hare, a watchmaker who devoted himself and all he had to the teaching of Bengalee boys; the other is Alexander Duff, the great Scottish Missionary Teacher. In the name of the University of Hong-kong and all that it means to each one of you, I ask for your friendship and your help, and I know that I do not ask in vain. (Cheers.)

Great enthusiasm was shown when the new Vice-Chancellor, as his first duty, presented Sir Charles Eliot and Sir William Brumby for the degree of Doctor of Laws (*Honoris Causa*), much cracker firing and cheers accompanying the conferment. It was some little time before Sir Charles Eliot, who first replied, could make himself heard.

Sir Charles Eliot.

Sir Charles Eliot said: Your Excellencies, Ladies and Gentlemen, I confess that my feelings to-day, though very pleasant, are somewhat strange, standing here as I do as the recipient of an honour for which I have so often presented worthier persons than myself. It is a very remarkable and interesting coincidence that three Vice-Chancellors should be present here to-day—(cheers)—and I only regret the absence of the kindly figure of Dr. Jordan, who acted as Vice-Chancellor for so long an interim. Certainly, I have seen very great changes since I first visited the site of this University. The first time I came here was in the autumn of 1911, when Sir Frederick Lurgard, our true founder, took me to see the work in progress at that time. All these buildings where we are now were then simply a mass of scaffolding. Then, before a year had passed, I came here in 1912 as the first Vice-Chancellor, and in October of that year, with a very small staff, including Professor Middleton Smith and Professor Hinton and one or two others, we opened the first session of the University. At that time the students were lodged in the buildings in which we are now, and above the University path there was a wild thicket in which could be seen slightly rising the first beginnings of Lurgard Hall. (Applause.) Now, when I come to-day, I find a well-ordered if somewhat restricted park. I think I had better not say anything about the buildings, not because I do not admire them, but because in every well-regulated University it is the practice to say that the accommodation is totally inadequate. I have learnt with very great pleasure and I congratulate Mr. Hornell that on the very day he has taken over the duties of Vice-Chancellor of the University, a new donation of considerable magnitude has been given to the University. (Applause.)

I venture to congratulate Sir William Brumby upon his most successful administration, and particularly on the restoration of financial order. As for your new Vice-Chancellor, after hearing the most interesting and able address which he has given you, I predict that he will be a great success here and that the University will make further and rapid progress under his administration. (Applause.)

Advice To Students.

And now, I have only one word to say to the students of this University, who are by far the most important part of the present meeting, and especially the Chinese students. I have said it before very often, and it is substantially the same as Mr. Hornell has said in the course of his address. You are here to acquire the learning of Europe. Do your best to acquire as fully and as thoroughly as you can whatever

branch of literature or science you take up, but do not forget that you are the heirs of an ancient and venerable civilisation—(applause)—of a great literature and most noble art. (Applause.)

Remember, too, that you can look back to traditions of wise and astute statesmanship, which is sadly wanting at the present day, not only in all China but most other countries as well. (Laughter.) Do not forget these things, but let them, in conjunction with the European learning which you acquire here, add purpose and vigour to your future careers. (Cheers.)

Sir William Brumby's Farewell.

Sir William Brumby, who was also received with loud and prolonged applause, said: Your Excellency, Mr. Vice-Chancellor, and the members of the University Court, I am very deeply conscious of the honour you have done to me. (Applause.)

I have been assured of your reasoned concurrence in it. (Applause.)

The Rockefeller Foundation.

And, finally, I should like to speak of the pleasure that has been

to me to be brought into contact from time to time with the representatives of the Rockefeller Foundation—a matter which arises in connection with the further benefaction just announced by the Vice-Chancellor. I in no way refer

to my natural love for benefactors. It is the pleasure that comes from being brought into contact with men of wide experience, who understand one's difficulties, who share our aims and who have no interest to serve other than the progress of medical education. (Applause.)

It is a thing I am rather reluctant to hand over to my successor, but I am profoundly glad that it should be there to be handed over.

Of what also am I to speak? I should like to tell you very briefly what it means to a man like myself to be brought out for three years to the Far East. It means, first of all, an opportunity to see, from a view-point which if it is some what detached is none the less a convenient one, something of the workings of this remarkable and important Colony. I speak of the view-point as detached, because one of the first things I noticed was your habit of attaching to each man a label that very much defines his position in the Colony. I was naturally and very properly labelled a Vice-Chancellor, and a Vice-Chancellor, as is well known, is a person set apart for special if somewhat obscure purposes. (Laughter.)

I very gladly accepted the position, because I do not feel that it would further the interests of the University for its Vice-Chancellor to show an active interest in the public affairs of the Colony. But, having passed twenty years of my working life in the public service, I will not pretend that I have felt no interest in them. I have recently been lecturing on Political Science and I have sometimes wondered whether the great mercantile houses and other like institutions that centre in this city and in Shanghai are not more deserving of a place in such a course than many of the outworn formulae of which one is expected to treat.

The Future.

As to the future, I feel that it is more than safe in Mr. Hornell's very capable hands. He will, no doubt, take some little time to adjust his standards to our very modest scale after his experience of the University of Calcutta with its 25,000 students. But I can conceive that after the two years of labour spent by him upon the Calcutta University Commission and in view of the entirely negative results of the Commission's searching comments of the present methods of that institution, he may not regret finding himself in a less turbulent atmosphere, where decent respect shewn by a Vice-Chancellor to his Chancellor is not regarded as sycophancy and where, as I can honestly assure him, our students are no less concerned with the acquisition of knowledge than with the passing of examinations. So far, we have not yet erected a pedestal for the "failed B.A."

But in the few minutes at my disposal this afternoon I will not expect me to talk about education. For I have for three years been your principal adviser and so far as I may have failed to carry you with me during that time I can scarcely hope to convince you now. Further, I have handed over to the Vice-Chancellor and, while he knows that he can count on my help to the utmost in any way in which he may ask for it, when I hand over I prefer to hand over without reserve. On only one or two points will I venture to touch.

Hotels Extensions.

First, then, I should like to associate myself very wholeheartedly with the eloquent plea for the extension of our mission hostels made from this place by Dr. Tsoi few weeks ago. For the moment, I regard those extensions as even more important than the provision of another University Hostel or of the Roman Catholic Hostel that we are hoping, because there is more chance of something being done in that direction before the situation becomes really serious next January. Let me say, Sir, that for the Hongkong Government education students, to whose hard case I referred a few weeks ago, makeshift provisions have proved possible—they are housed in the old St. Stephen's premises, until such time as the purchasers shall pull them "down—but I am

coward enough to feel glad that the responsibility

next January will be upon Mr. Hornell and not upon me. (Laughter.)

Then, Sir, I should like to pay a very warm and sincere tribute to the real and consistent interest Your Excellency has shown in the affairs of this University throughout the last three years. (Applause.) If I may say so without disrespect, association with Your Excellency may sometimes give one a sense of the utility of much of human effort, though that does not necessarily mean that the contact is other than stimulating. But I should like it to be realized that during the period in question Your Excellency has never missed a Council meeting when you have been in the Colony, and that there is no scheme I have put forward until I have been assured of your reasoned concurrence in it. (Applause.)

The death has occurred at Bangkok of Dr. T. Heyward Hays.

Last month he went into the Nursing Home in order to have an operation performed on his neck, says the *Siam Observer*. This was successfully carried out, and in a few days he returned to his home at Bangkok Hospital. But unfortunately, he was compelled to re-enter the Nursing Home for another operation. This took something like an hour and a half, with a local anaesthetic. The patient seemed to bear the operation well, and it was thought that he would make a complete recovery. After two or three days he left the Home, and, unfortunately while he seemed to be recovering from the effect of the operation, he contracted asthma, the direct cause of death. On the Saturday morning he was quite cheerful, and even to within a few hours of the end he chatted with those in attendance. But shortly after six o'clock there was a turn for the worse, and he gradually sank until the end came about eight o'clock.

With the death of Dr. Hays there passes one of the oldest residents of Bangkok, a man who has seen the country develop to its present stage. There have been great changes since the day he first arrived in Bangkok. He has played an outstanding part in the industrial development of the country, which, it can be said without exaggeration, owed to him a debt of gratitude.

He was born in 1854, at Charleston, South Carolina, and, when a boy of about seven years of age heard the first shot at Fort Sherman, one of the most famous places in the American Civil War. After qualifying in his profession, he first came out to Bangkok in 1886 as a member of the Medical Staff of the American Presbyterian Mission, from which he resigned a year later. It was then he joined the Siamese Naval Service as Surgeon, and a future which it was set out to solve nearly 40 years ago, still remain unsolved. And, that being so, honestly has compelled me, using all the peripheries of which the after-dinner speech is capable, practically, small as it has been, to show the value of such work.

For the rest, his contact with the student world may be almost summed up in consisting in the making of after-dinner speeches. As to how

they should be made I will offer him no advice, both because I know him to need none and because every man must make his after-dinner speeches for himself. As to my own methods, if I may make a personal confession, I have always been hampered by the knowledge that, for me, most of the problems I set out to solve nearly 40 years ago, still remain unsolved. And, that being so, honestly has compelled me, using all the peripheries of which the after-dinner speech is capable, practically, small as it has been, to show the value of such work.

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VESSELS DUE.

FROM SHANGHAI.

Feb. 27.—J.C.J.L. Tsimshock.

FROM BANGKOK.

Feb. 23.—E. A. Banks.

FROM SAIGON AND S'PORE.

Mar. 6.—U.S.S.R. West Ivan.

FROM MANILA.

Feb. 20.—A. O. L. Pres. Jefferson.

Mar. 2.—U.S.S.R. West Cajoul.

Mar. 5.—U.S.S.R. West Ivan.

FROM JAPAN.

Feb. 29.—R. I. Tanda.

Mar. 29.—J.C.J.L. Tilibocet.

Mar. 12.—J.C.J.L. Titarocom.

FROM JAVA.

Feb. 27.—J.C.J.L. Tjiboduan.

Mar. 29.—J.C.J.L. Tjikubang.

FROM CALCUTTA.

Mar. 14.—B. I. Torilla.

Mar. 20.—B. I. St. Albans.

FROM SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE.

Mar. 1.—E. A. Afraria.

Apr. 4.—E. & A. St. Albans.

May 6.—E. & A. Afraria.

June 4.—E. & A. St. Albans.

Aug. 1.—E. & A. Afraria.

FROM SEATTLE, VANCOUVER

ETC.

Feb. 20.—A. O. L. Bakersfield.

Mar. 25.—O. P. Pres. Grant.

Mar. 25.—O. P. Empress of Russia.

Mar. 27.—B. F. Empress of Asia.

Mar. 27.—B. F. Achilles.

Mar. 27.—B. F. Philotetos.

Mar. 27.—B. F. West Ison.

Apr. 9.—B. F. Tyndarous.

Mar. 30.—B. F. Proteslaus.

June 15.—B. F. Achilles.

July 15.—B. F. Tyndarous.

Aug. 6.—B. F. Protelaus.

Sept. 6.—B. F. Achilles.

SAN FRANCISCO & LOS ANGELES.

Mar. 6.—U.S.S.R. West Montop.

FROM FRISCO, HONOLULU, KOBE, SHAI.

Mar. 3.—D.S.L. Pres. Hayes.

Mar. 25.—D.S.L. Iris. Garfield.

Mar. 25.—D.S.L. Iris. Polk.

Mar. 31.—D.S.L. Pres. Adams.

FROM NEW YORK & BOSTON.

Mar. 31.—P. L. Moonish Prince.

FROM EUROPEAN POETS.

Feb. 20.—N. Y. K. Hartung Maru.

Mar. 11.—J.C.J.L. Oosterkerk.

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Apr. 8.—J.C.J.L. Oosterkerk.

May 6.—J.C.J.L. Oosterkerk.

June 3.—J.C.J.L. Oldokerk.

FROM MARSEILLES.

Feb. 25.—M. M. Porthos.

Mar. 11.—M. M. Amazone.

Mar. 25.—M. M. Angkor.

FROM LONDOR.

Feb. 22.—P. & O. Khyber.

Mar. 18.—P. & O. Padus.

Mar. 18.—P. & O. Radnorshire.

Mar. 7.—P. & O. Nellore.

Mar. 7.—P. & O. China.

Mar. 19.—P. & O. Glencoe.

Mar. 19.—P. & O. Sicilia.

Mar. 19.—P. & O. Kilyan.

Mar. 19.—P. & O. Glesham.

Mar. 19.—P. & O. Kashimir.

Mar. 17.—P. & O. Soudan.

Mar. 17.—P. & O. Plasy.

May 1.—P. & O. Khiva.

May 1.—P. & O. Kasgar.

May 29.—P. & O. Morea.

June 12.—P. & O. Karmala.

June 26.—P. & O. Malwa.

FROM LIVERPOOL.

Mar. 2.—D. F. Neclus.

Mar. 7.—D. F. Trolls.

Mar. 9.—D. F. Astyax.

Mar. 14.—D. F. Mardon.

Mar. 29.—D. F. Sarredon.

Apr. 6.—D. F. Helenus.

Apr. 6.—D. F. Onca.

Apr. 16.—D. F. Phoebus.

Apr. 16.—D. F. Antolycus.

Apr. 14.—D. F. Patroclus.

FROM HAMBURG.

Feb. 20.—H.A.L. Oldenburg.

Apr. 2.—H.A.L. Munsterland.

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FROM COPENHAGEN.

Feb. 29.—E. A. Natal.

Mar. 4.—E. A. Asia.

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One hour..... 30 cents

Every subsequent hour..... 30 cents

If the "jinkokha" be engaged within the City of Victoria, and be discharged outside the Western port of the City of Victoria after 9 p.m., or be discharged to the East of Bay View Police Station on the Eastern side of the City of Victoria after 9 p.m., an extra half fare shall be chargeable.

For 2 or 3 drivers the fare is double or triple respectively.

II.—In the Hill District.

on calculate..... 16 cents

Quarter hour..... 20 cents

Half hour..... 30 cents

One hour..... 40 cents

Every subsequent hour..... 40 cents

III.—In the New Territories.

By arrangement with the proprietor through the Police.

CARS.—

I.—Lower Levels.

With 2 Drivers With 2 Drivers.

Ten minutes..... 10 cents

Quarter hour..... 20 cents

Half hour..... 30 cents

One hour..... 40 cents

Every subsequent hour..... 40 cents

II.—In the Hill District.

With 2 Drivers With 2 Drivers.

Ten minutes..... 12 cents

Quarter hour..... 20 cents

Half hour..... 30 cents

One hour..... 40 cents

Every subsequent hour..... 40 cents

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BUSES.—

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BUSINESS DIRECTORY.

Banks
The Bank of Canton, Ltd.,
Des Voeux Road Central.

China Special Bank, Ltd.,
& Dundell Street.

Building Contractors
Wing & Co.
Building Contractors,
34, D'Aguilar Street, Tel. Gen. 1568.

Coal Merchants
Sulphur Mining Admin. (c/o D'Adda & Co.,
Ltd.), Colliery & Steamship Owners.
Bituminous Coal, Coke, Firebricks.

Watson & Co., 6 Queen's Road Central,
Merchants, Coal Contractors and
Shipping Agents—Phone Gen. 1568.

Curio Dealers
Lock Ming, Chinese Curios & Silver Ware

Dentist
Harry Fung, Dentist,
1st floor, No. 74, Queen's Road
Central, Tel. Central No. 1265.

Engineers & Shipbuilders
W. S. Bailey & Co., Ltd.
Engineer & Shipbuilder
Kowloon Bay
New Work & Repairs
Call Mag. "L".

Fertilizer
Eastern Agricultural Fertilizer Co., Macclesfield,
Tel. 2230. sole agents for Guano & Nitro Fertilizers

Wine & Spirit Merchants
Kwan Tye, General Stockists
Wine & Spirit Merchant,
No. 102, Queen's Road Central.

Hotels
Palace Hotel, Kowloon—Corner of
Haiphong and Hankow Roads. Few
minutes from Ferry.

Importers & Exporters
One Bros. & Co., Importers and
Exporters and Commission Agents,
Des Voeux Road.

Swing Sun & Co., 56 Queen's Road
Central, Ko Iu Chung (Manager),
Kwong King Lum (Asst.), Tel. Gen. 1569.

Macau Trading Co.
Importers and Exporters,
M.A.M.—Japanese fine art curios,
24 Queen's Road Central, Tel. Gen. 1568.

Sam Hing Loeng
47 Queen's Road Central,
General Merchants, Wine & Cigar
Merchants, General Importers,
Exporters of Chinese Produce,
Tel. Central No. 261.

Land & Estate Agents
Sam Yick Chee, Land & Estate Agents,
Tel. Central 911-1983,
25, Queen's Road Central.

Leather Goods
Sam Hing Loeng
Manufacturers of Leather Suitcases,
Handbags, Purse, Butts, etc.
Pottinger St., 25 Queen's Rd. Ct.
and 30 Miller St.

Tailors
Hongkong Tailoring Co.,
Ladies and Gent's Tailors,
10, D'Aguilar Street, New Materials
of all descriptions. Tel. Gen. 2880.

**Ah Young, Tailors Drapers & Out-
fitters, Hat & Clothing, Quits made
to order. No. 74, Queen's Road
Central, Tel. Central No. 2820.**

Sing Cheong,
Ladies' and Gentlemen's Tailor,
24, Wyndham Street, 2nd floor.

Tobaccos, Cigarettes.
British American Tobacco Co.
(China), Ltd. 18-19 Connaught Road
(China).

Glass Merchants
A. Ling & Co., Glass Merchants,
Furniture, Mirror and Canton Marble
Manufacturer. Electro-plated Glass
and Crockery. Wares and Photo
Supplies. 18, Queen's Road Central,
Tel. Central No. 1262.

Miners
China Commercial Co., Ltd.
Miners, Importers, and Exporters
54-56 Queen's Road Central, Tel. Gen. 2802.

TYPEWRITERS

Top King, 22, Pottinger St.

NATIONAL OPTICAL COMPANY LTD.
No. 10, Queen's Road Central

MOVEMENT OF STEAMERS.

The B. F. s.s. "Marion" from Liver-
pool left Singapore on Feb. 14 for this
port and is due here to-day.

The B. F. s.s. "Talitha" for Genoa,
Marseilles, Liverpool, and Glasgow
will be despatched at noon to-morrow.

The P. & O. s.s. "Khyber" left Singa-
pore for this port on Feb. 15 at 4 p.m.
with the outward English Mail and is
due here on Feb. 22 at about 1 a.m.

The B. F. s.s. "Tanda" left Moji for
this port on Feb. 17 at 1 p.m. and is due
here on Feb. 22 at about 1 a.m.

The P. & O. s.s. "Empress of
Australia" Capt. A. J. Hartley, R.M.N.
Commodore will leave here for Victoria,
Vancouver, B.C., via Shanghai
Wescong, Kobe and Yokohama at
noon on Feb. 22.

The A. & L. s.s. "Pros. Jefferson"
will be here at 7 a.m. to-morrow and
will sail for Victoria and Seattle via
Shanghai and Japan at 10 a.m. on Feb. 22.

The A. & L. s.s. "Pros. Grant" which
arrived at Hongkong on Feb. 18 arrived
at Yokohama on Feb. 19 and is due
here on Feb. 22.

The C.P.G. R.M.S. "Empress of Asia"
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The N.Y.K. s.s. "Hirano Maru"
arrived at Yokohama on Feb. 19 and is due
here on Feb. 22.

The N.Y.K. s.s. "Kuro Maru"
arrived at Yokohama on Feb. 19 and is due
here on Feb. 22.

The D.S.L.s.s. "Pros. Adams" which
is due at Hongkong on Mar. 1st sailed
from Seattle on Feb. 1.

The B. F. s.s. "Macau" left Liver-
pool on Jan. 28 for Singapore, Hongkong,
Shanghai and Japan and is due here on
Mar. 1st.

The B. F. s.s. "Astyanax" left Liver-
pool on Feb. 1 for Singapore, Hongkong,
Shanghai and Japan and is due here on
Mar. 1st.

The B. F. s.s. "Athena" left Liver-
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Shanghai and Japan and is due here on
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The C.A.S. Co., Ltd. s.s. "Victoria"
with Australian Mail left Sydney
Socotra, from New York.

The N.Y.K. s.s. "Hirano Maru"
arrived at Yokohama on Feb. 18 and is due
here on Feb. 22.

The Wing On Co., Ltd. Agents

WEATHER REPORT.

February 19th 11h 30m.—Pressure
has increased considerably at
Vladivostock and slightly at
Chefoo and Haiphong. It has de-
creased slightly over Formosa and
is nearly stationary over Kwang-
tung and the Philippines.

An anticyclone has formed over
S.E. Mongolia. Gradients are
shallow over the China Sea.

Hongkong rainfall for the 24 hours
ending at 10 a.m. today, 0.12 in.
Total since January 1st, 4.34 inches.

Forecast for the 24 hours ending
at 10 a.m. on Feb. 20, 1924.

1—Formosa Channel, N.E. winds,
moderate.

2—South coast of China, between
Hongkong and Hainan. E. winds,
moderate; overcast, rain, fog.

3—Hongkong to Gao Rock. E. winds,
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ROYAL OBSERVATORY,
HONGKONG.

DAILY WEATHER REPORT.

FEBRUARY 19, 1924.—a.m.

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